# HISTORIC RESOURCE INVENTORY FORM

Resource Address: 2418 Cedar St **Abilene Texas 79601 United States** (Hardin Simmons Campus) County: Taylor Historic name: Caldwell Hall Present name: Sandefer Memorial Local place name: Visible from public right of way: Yes **Ownership:** Private Owner/Address: Hardin Simmons / Land unit size: Site/Setting:

## **Historical Information**

Historic Function: Education: College Construction Date: ca. 1920-1929 , 1922\* Original or Significant Owners: Hardin Simmons University Significant Date/Period: Areas of Significance:

## **Architectural Information**

Category: building, commercial building Structural: balloon frame Stories: 3, Bays: 7 Form or Plan: rectangular Foundation: undetermined General condition: Excellent Basement: undetermined

**Historical Summary:** 

Style: Beaux Arts/Neo-Classical Exterior Material(s): original brick Roof Material: Roof Type: Flat with parapet Windows: original wood 12/1 Chimney(s): Porch:

Lat/Long: 32.4776367767406950, -99.7333937092620900 [WGS84] UTM: Zone 14S, 431087.7570 mE, 3593616.9619 mN Parcel No.

Current Function: Education: College Architect: David Castle Builder: Rose Construction Developer:

> Additions Alterations Moved Other Ancillary structures:

Status (Current Listing or Designation)				Evaluation (Preparer's Assessment of Eligibility)		
National:	🖌 indiv.	district	landmrk.	Recommendation	Level of potential eligibility	Landmark potential
State/Province:	indiv.	district	✓ landmrk.	Individually eligible	National	National
Local:	✓ indiv.	☐ district	landmrk.	Eligible as contributing resource	State	State
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Not determined

Part of HSU campus, which is a Recorded Texas Historic Landmark



1929

### **Description/Remarks**

This is a 3-story, 7-bay commercial building in the Beaux Arts/Neo-Classical style built in 1922. The structural system is balloon frame. The foundation is undetermined. Exterior walls are original brick. The building has a flat with parapet roof. Sandefer Memorial Hall was erected in 1949 at the center of the Hardin-Simmons University campus. The hall is named in honor of the university's longest serving president (1909-1940), Jefferson Davis Sandefer. J. D. Sandefer led major building campaigns, was an important Baptist educator, and was much loved in this West Texas region. Sandefer Memorial Hall was originally designed by David S. Castle of Abilene, with Wyatt C. Hedrick updating the plans and overseeing the construction by Rose Construction Company. The building was designed to house the library on the two upper floors and the administrative offices on the first floor, with additional offices in the basement.

Date source: Taylor CAD

#### Survey and Recorder

Project: City of Abilene - Historic Buildings and Districts Prepared By: Abrigg

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Additional Research Recommended?

Inventory Sheet : Sandefer Memorial : 2418 Cedar St Abilene Taylor Texas